

1. The process of discussing and developing the MVI indicates that the most urgent challenge of global development is the scarcity of resources rather than its distribution. We should pay more attention to “making the cake bigger” apart from “distributing it better”.

2. The MVI is based on the special conditions of SIDS and has certain particularities. Besides, the MVI has been newly designed and needs further improvement. Its applicability to countries beyond SIDS needs to be studied separately. At present, we should limit its usage and especially be more prudent on ranking countries beyond SIDS. Preferential financing support for vulnerable countries should be discussed on a case-by-case basis, rather than a one-size-fits-all approach. In general, currently the MVI should only be applied on occasions related with Implementation and follow-up to the Samoa Pathway.

3. It is suggested to add two indicators into the MVI. One is “capital account liberalization” under the concept of “exposure to fluctuations in international trade and financial flows”, and the other is “industrialization” under the concept of “domestic economic capacity”. Please refer to the attachment for detailed clarifications.

